Currency Notes Printing Presses in the country

† 4069. SHRIMATI SAROJDUBEY:

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Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRSbe pleased to state :

(a) the locations of currency note printing presses; and

(b) the details of measures taken to bring transparency in the printing of notes and to make these notes safe from being copied?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ANAND RAO VITHOBA ADSUL): (a) Currency notes are printed at Dewas (Madhya Pradesh), Nashik (Maharashtra), Salboni (West Bengal) and Mysore (Karnataka).

(b) To prevent counterfeiting of notes the security features in the bank notes are upgraded from time to time. Transparency in the procedures is followed as per the General Financial Rules and keeping in view the national security considerations.

Flow of funds to Rural Sector

4070. SHRIJANARDHANAPOOJARY: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that credit flow to rural sector is very slow in comparison to the urban industries;

(b) the amount advanced by banks to rural and urban industries during the last three years, bank-wise, industry-wise and year-wise;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government have asked the banks to enhance their lending to the rural industries, while advising them to set up 'Rural Industry Fund' on the lines of'Capital Venture Fund'; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard and the reaction of the financial institutions to the advice?

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